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## AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the office action of October 1, 2002, please mend this application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert

F4 .--This application is a 371 a PCT/FR97/01792 filed October 8,

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Page 4, rewrite the first full paragraph as follows:

--The compositions according to the invention based on nomegestrol and free or esterified or equine conjugated estrogens are administered in a continuous fashion or intermittent fashion from 21 to 25 days per month.--

Please add the Abstract filed herewith on a separate sheet of paper as the last page.